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in place by the Secretary of State's Office were put in place after consultation with existing licensee holders, which has the connotation of maybe some protection on their part, of eliminating competition by asking for this excessive amount of experience, when other states around us don't ask for any experience at all.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I see. Well, I'm just going to have to read over what you've sent out to us. I was off the floor and didn't have a chance to do that before the amendment came up. So I'm not necessarily in opposition. I just want us to be careful about what we might be doing here. And I don't know if anybody else will have any questions about it either. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schimek. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise in support of Senator Burling's amendment. I think it's an overgeneralized objection, with all due respect, and I don't mean it critically, to say that this hasn't been heard. The very subject matter of the original bill was that the process by which someone would become licensed. And now we are establishing, with Senator Burling's amendment, the 1,500 hours of verifiable investigative experience. It's a good thing that we are requiring such a significant amount of qualifying experience. I think it's consistent with the subject matter of the bill. And my interest, in addition to supporting Senator Burling and his good work, is that if we adopt this amendment then I can withdraw my amendment which follows, because Senator Burling has also picked up some necessary Revisor technicalities and corrections. I think the bill, while we may not have had a hearing on 1,500 hours of verifiable investigative experience, I think we can all tell that just by its phraseology, that's a good thing. That's a high minimum, and it is a qualifying set of facts that I would urge our adoption of. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. When I chaired the State Patrol task force, some of these issues